situation in Punjab by terrorists and secessionists; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and results achieved by that policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The Government will continue to deal firmly with terrorism and secessionism. Several measures have been adopted for the purpose. Increasing cooperation from the people and their determination to fight the terrorists are becoming evident.

Package Formula on Job Reservations submitted to Supreme Court by the Government

570. SHRI DILEEP SINGH BHURIA:
SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYYA SADUL
SHRI SARAD DIGHE:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the package formula submitted by the Government to Supreme Court on Job reservation issue in Government services envisaging reservation for economically weaker sections of the forward classes in addition to 22.5 and 27 percent quota for SC/ST, socially and economically backward classes, respectively;

(b) what criteria has been fixed to define economically weaker section of the forward classes and socially and economically backward classes; and

(c) the machinery contemplated to define such classes?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) The O.M. of 13th August, 1990 providing for 27% reservation for the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes against vacancies in civil services/posts under the govt. of India to be filled through direct recruitment was amended on 25th September, 1991.A statment of the copy of the Amending order is attached herewith.

(b) and (c). Government intends to lay down criteria for determining the poorer sections among SEBCS and other economically backward sections not covered by any existing schemes of reservation through a process of consultation for which steps have been initiated.

STATEMENT

Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Personnel and Training)

New Delhi, the 25th Sept. 1991.

Office Memorandum

Subject:Recommendation of the Second Backward Classes Commission (mandal Report)- Reservation for Socially and/Educationally Backward Classes in service under the Government of India.

The undersigned is directed to invite the attention to O.M. of even number dated the 13th August, 1990, on the above mentioned subject and to say that in order to enable the poorer sections of the SEBCs to receive the benefits of reservation on a preferential basis and to provide reservation for other economically backward sections of the people not covered by any of the existing scheme of reservation, Government have decided of

amend the said Memorandum with immediate effect as follows:-

2. (i) Within the 27% of the vacancies in civil posts and services under the Government of India *reserved for SEBCs, preference* shall be given to candidates belonging to the poorer sections of the SEBCs. In case sufficient number of such candidates are not available, unfilled vacancies shall be filled by the other SEBC candidates.

(ii) 10% of the vacancies in civil posts and services under the Government of India shall be reserved for other economically backward sections of the people who are not covered by any of the existing Schemes of reservation.

(iii) The criteria for determining the poorer sections of the SEBCs or the other economically backward sections of the people who are not covered by any of the existing schemes of reservations are being issued separately

3. The O.M. of even number darfet the 13th August, 1990, shall be deemed to have amended to the extent specified above.

Sd/-
(A.K. HARIT)
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

To

All ministries/Department of Govt. of India

National Integration Council Meeting

571. SHRI DILEEP SINGH BHURIA:
SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN
SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the subjects discussed at the recent meeting of the National Integration Council; and

(b) the decisions taken at the meeting, particularly in relation to to be Babri Masjid-Ramjanma Bhoomi issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER IF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Communal Harmony: Ramjanma Bhoomi-Babri Masjid Issue.

(b) A statement of the enclosed resolution was passed. It was also agreed that a standing committee of the National Integration Council will be set up.

STATEMENT

Resolution Adopted by the National Integration Council at its Meeting Held on 2nd November, 1991 at new Delhi

The National Integration Council views the deep concern the deterioration in the communal situation in the country during the last two years, which have witnessed increasing communal tension and serious in incidents of violence leading to heavy loss of life and property. Along with the continuing activities of terrorists and militants in certain parts of the country, communal animosity can seriously undermine the national unity. the Council reaffirms the resolve of the people